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SUBJECT: OPENING OF CONSULAR REVIEW TALKS

REF: MOSCOW 12769

1. OPENING MEETING OF CONSULAR REVIEW TALKS TOOK PLACE 4:00 P.M
AUGUST 17 AT FOREIGN MINISTRY RECEPTION HALL IN MOSCOW. DCM HEADED
EMBASSY DELEGATION WHICH INCLUDED FOUR CONSULAR OFFICERS. SEVEN-
MEMBER SOVIET GROUP WAS LED BY CONSULAR ADMINISTRATION DEPUTY
CHIEF N.G. REZNICHENKO (ACTING FOR AMBASSADOR I.I. IPPOLITOV).

2. DCM AND DEPUTY CHIEF REZNICHENKO EXCHANGED OPENING REMARKS
EMPHASIZING IMPORTANCE OF CONSULAR ASPECT OF SOVIET-AMERICAN
RELATIONS.

3. WITH REGARD TO PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS, REZNICHENKO SUGGESTED THAT
TWO QUESTIONS FROM US LIST OF TOPICS BE DISCUSSED FIRST FOLLOWED
BY CONSIDERATION OF TWO POINTS FROM THE SOVIET LIST. US SIDE
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SUGGESTED THAT MULTIPL ENTRY/EXIT VISAS FOR RESIDENT BUSINESSMEN

AND LONG-TERM EXCHANGES BE FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS FOLLOWED BY POINTS-OF-ENTRY AUTHORIZED FOR OFFICIAL PERSONNEL. WITH REGARD TO LONG-TERM EXCHANGES, EMBASSY FALL-BACK POINT WILL, OF COURSE, BE THAT SINGLE EXIT VISA BE ISSUED WITH ENTRY VISA AND BE VALID FOR DURATION OF STAY IN USSR.

4. SOVIET SIDE AGREED TO CONSIDERATION OF US TOPICS AND PROPOSED AS FIRST TWO POINTS ON SOVIET LIST OF TOPICS PROCESSING TIMES FOR ISSUANCE OF VISAS TO VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF SOVIET CITIZENS AND TRANSIT OF SOVIET AIR PASSENGERS THROUGH US.

5. REZNICHENKO PROPOSED AND US SIDE AGREED THAT FIRST SESSION ON INITIAL US TOPIC WILL BE HELD AUGUST 18.

6. BIOGRAPHIC NOTE: G.A. BOSIKOV, MFA CONSULAR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL, WHO HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN IDENTIFIED TO EMBASSY AS HAVING RANK OF "COUNSELOR" WAS POINTEDLY DOWN-GRADED TO "FIRST SECRETARY" DURING PERSONAL INTRODUCTION OF SOVIET DELEGATION BY REZNICHENKO. STOESSEL UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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